

SWORN TO BEFORE ME AND SUBSCRIBED IN MY PRESENCE, THIS 11TH
DAY OF AUGUST 2008.

PETER C. LEWIS UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

PROBABLE CAUSE STATEMENT

I, Special Agent Claudia E. Herzog, declare under penalty of perjury, the following is true and correct:

On August 9, 2008, Miguel Angel GARCIA entered the United States through the Calexico, California West Port of Entry. GARCIA was the registered owner, driver and sole occupant of a 2005 Toyota Camry, bearing CAUS license plate 5LRL130. During the inspection of the trunk of the vehicle, Customs and Border Protection Officer (CBPO) E. Stewart noticed the presence of fresh bondo and opted to escort the vehicle to secondary inspection.

In secondary inspection, CBPO Stewart noticed a discrepancy in the floor of the trunk. Canine Enforcement Officer (CEO) M. Price utilized his Human-Narcotic Detector Dog (HNDD) on the vehicle, which alerted and responded to the trunk of the vehicle. CEO Price asked GARCIA regarding the vehicle ownership. GARCIA stated that he purchased the vehicle in October of 2007. CEO Price asked GARCIA if he had any bodywork or paint work done to the vehicle since he purchased it and GARCIA replied "no, nothing at all." During a further inspection of the vehicle CBPO Stewart discovered several packages concealed within the tire well non-factory compartment in the trunk of the vehicle. CBPO Stewart probed one package, which produced a white crystal like substance that field-tested positive for the presence of methamphetamine. A total of 21 packages were removed from the vehicle with a net weight of approximately 8.62 kilograms (18.96 pounds) of methamphetamine.

GARCIA was processed and booked into the Imperial County Jail to await his initial appearance before a U.S. Magistrate Judge.

Executed on August 10, 2008 at 1235 hours

SPECIAL AGENT

Claudia Etho

offense on August 9, 2008 in violation of Title 21,		s) named in this probable cause statement commit United States Code, Section(s) 952 & 960. 8/10/2005 at 2:30 pm						
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